use in Urdu Litho Print, have become quite popular.

Special Services Cell: The Bureau has set up a special service Cell at the headquarters with representatives in Bombay, Calcutta and Madras. The Cell is entrusted with the task of preparing field based development stories and making them available to the language newspapers. The emphasis is on providing locally relevant photographs, cartograph and abonoid blocks.

Press Parties: Organising press parties to various Central Government projects is another important activity of the Bureau which enables representatives of the press to have first hand knowledge of the developmental activity going on in different parts of the country. Representatives of different papers are taken at frequent intervals to selected projects for this type of special study. Language and small and medium papers get representation in these conducted tours.

Accreditation: Accreditation rules have been liberalised to extend greater facilities to small and medium papers. As per rules, only newspapers with a circulation of over 5,000 copies are eligible for accreditation. In order, however, to assist the smaller papers, this condition has been relaxed and now two or more small newspapers can jointly seek accreditation for a common correspondent. The rules also provide that special consideration may be shown to newspapers devoted to science and technology and to those published from hilly or backward areas, or from regions under-developed in terms of information and communication. The Bureau's mailing list now contains a large number of small and medium newspapers as well as correspondents accredited on their behalf.

Cases pending with the Central Administrative Tribunal

581. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending with the Central Administrative Tribunal as quite popular.

(b) since when these cases have been pending; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to expedite the working of Central Administrative Tribunal ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) The number of cases (excluding Misc. Petitions) pending with the Central Administrative Tribunal as on 31-7-91 is 37859. The year-wise pendency of 34949 cases is as under :

Year	Pending cases
1986	783
1987	2696
1988	5059
1989	6781
1990	9999
1991	9631

Besides these, 2910 cases which stood transfered from various courts to the Tribunal since its inception till 31-7-91 are also pending.

(c) The steps proposed to be taken to improve the working of the Tribunal are improvement in the procedure for disposal, filling up the existing vacancies of Vice-Chairman and Members in the various benches of CAT, increase in the number of courts in a few benches already set up, etc.

International Film Festivals

582. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are organising any International Film Festivals during